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MILFORD FLAT UPDATE

Kanosh, UTAH … The Muir National Incident Management Team assumed management of the Milford Flat fire at 6:00 a.m. this morning. The fire is approximately 300,000 acres and is currently staffed by 200+ firefighters. More resources are on order and arriving in a steady stream. The incident command post is located at Kanosh City Park.

Operations are underway to ensure I-15 is maintained open and existing lines are reinforced.

Firefighters and public safety is the primary concern. A major concern is traffic on I-15. The public is asked to be aware of firefighters and equipment along the roads and to slow their speed when approaching firefighters. **It is important to note there could be periodic closures of I-15.**

Statistics:

Start date:	7/6/2007 3:45 p.m.
Cause:	Lightning
Size:	300,000 + acres. (469 sq. miles). More accurate acreage will be obtained later today from a GPS flight.
Location:	Milllard and Beaver Counties (Utah)
Conditions:	Fire is burning in a north/north east direction. It is dry with erratic gusty winds and very smoky.
Weather:	Extreme fire weather will continue for the next several days. Fire restrictions are in effect statewide.
Percent Contained:	0 %; Containment date unknown
Fuels/Terrain:	Pinion, Juniper, grass, and brush burning north towards lava fields and steeper terrain to the east.
Injuries:	2 fatalities and one injury (vehicle accidents on I-15)
Threats:	Approximately 300 scattered structures may be threatened. No evacuations are planned.
Structures lost	one summer home (uninhabited) and two outbuildings were burned
Personnel/ Equipment	200+ firefighters – additional crews on order and arrived throughout day
	12 engines
	3 water tenders
	2 dozers
	2 heavy helicopters
	3 single engine air tankers